

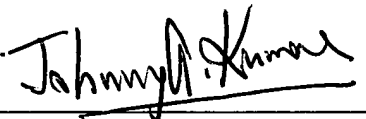
Remarks

Claims 1-20 were submitted with the application. Claim 2 has been amended to correct a minor typographical error. No new matter has been introduced. Consideration of claims 1-20 as amended is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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